

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4270

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DISASTER ASSISTANCE PLAN FOR AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT VICTIMS

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Air India proposes to have an effective disaster management and family assistance plan for the aircraft accident victims;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the arrangement is proposed to be entrusted to a private firm; and
- (d) if so, the details of the terms and conditions thereof?

Answer

- MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a) and (b): Air India already has a Contingency Plan for disaster management since 2000 and revisions have been made to it periodically. The Emergency Committee as per the plan directs rescue, medical and matters concerning co-ordination within the Company or outside the Company. This Committee meets once in a year to review and update the procedures and if necessary, carries out mock drills etc.

(c) and (d): Yes, Sir. Presently M/s. Kenyon has been contracted to provide disaster management and family assistance plan for the aircraft accident victims in the United States only. This plan may be extended to cover all on line stations of Air India.